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BEFORE THE POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Competitive Product Prices Priority Mail Contract 134 (MC2015-70) Negotiated Service Agreement Docket No. CP2015-108

PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS ON POSTAL SERVICE NOTICE OF AMENDMENT TO PRIORITY MAIL CONTRACT 134

(September 14, 2016)

I. INTRODUCTION

The Public Representative hereby provides comments pursuant to a notice initiating this docket.¹ In that Initiating Notice, the Commission reopens the above referenced docket to receive comments from interested persons, including the undersigned Public Representative, on a Postal Service notice to amend Priority Mail Contract 134.²

II. BACKGROUND

The Commission approved the original Priority Mail Contract 134 in Order No. 2637.³ The Postal Service states that the "amendment will not materially affect the cost coverage of Priority Mail Contract 134." *Notice* at 1. To support the Notice, the Postal Service filed a redacted copy of the amendment in Attachment A. The amendment is

Notice Initiating Docket(s) for Recent Postal Service Negotiated Service Agreement Filings, September 9, 2016 (Initiating Notice).

Notice of United States Postal Service of Amendment to Priority Mail contract 134, September 8, 2016 (Notice).

Order Adding Priority Mail Contract134 to the Competitive Product List, August 4, 2015 (Order No. 2637).

scheduled to become effective one business day after the Commission completes its review of the filing. *Notice* at 1.

III. COMMENTS

Requirements of 39 U.S.C. § 3633. Pursuant to section 3633(a), prices for competitive products must cover each product's attributable costs, not result in subsidization of competitive products by market dominant products, and ensure that all competitive products collectively contribute an appropriate share of the institutional costs of the Postal Service.

The Public Representative has reviewed the financial worksheets filed, as well as all other documentation related to the original and amended Priority Mail Contract 134. Based upon that review, the Public Representative concludes that the requested amendment for Priority Mail Contract 134 will continue to satisfy the requirements of 39 U.S.C. § 3633(a). The Commission will also have an opportunity to review the revenue, cost and volume data for the amended Priority Mail Contract 134 in its future Annual Compliance Determination Reports.

The Public Representative respectfully submits the foregoing comments for the Commission's consideration.

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